MINUTES HURST CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2019

On the 26th day of August 2019, at 4:30 p.m., the City Council of the City of Hurst, Texas, convened in Special Session at Hurst City Hall, 1505 Precinct Line Road, Hurst, Texas, with the following members present:

Henry Wilson)	Mayor			
Larry Kitchens)	Mayor Pro Tem			
Bill McLendon)	Councilmembers			
David Booe)				
Cindy Shepard)				
Cathy Thompson)				
Jon McKenzie)				
Clay Caruthers)	City Manager			
John Boyle	Ć	City Attorney			
Robert Wallace	Ć	Building Official			
Michelle Lazo	Ć	Executive Director	of	Planning	and
	,	Development		<u>8</u>	
Rita Frick)	City Secretary			

with the following members absent: none, constituting a quorum; at which time, the following business was transacted:

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

1. Consider ordering a public hearing to decide whether to order the repair, removal or demolition of property located at 450 E. Hurst Blvd, Hurst, Texas; Lot A3, Block 14, of the Holder Estates subdivision (Dakota Place Apartments).

City Manager Clay Caruthers advised Council that staff, with legal counsel, is following the administrative process regarding the property at 450 E. Hurst Blvd, Dakota Apartments. He stated Building Official Robert Wallace will provide an overview of the issues with the property. Building Official Robert Wallace briefed Council on the condition of the apartments and that a third party inspection service provided inspections and reports on the property. He stated City inspectors followed up on the third party reports two times, and compliance had not been met. Mr. Wallace stated he has reviewed the third party reports that include two areas for concern. He stated one area of concern is that the roof needs engineering sign off. The second area of concern is environmental, due to water damage noted in the environmental services report. He stated other housing codes also need to be addressed, but the city can work with the owner to alleviate the other issues. Mr. Wallace

stated the reports are substantial enough to declare the building unsafe. He explained the notification process required by code, noted he could order residents to evacuate the building, but he prefers the City work with the owner to resolve issues. He requested the Council hold a public hearing to decide whether to order the repair, removal or demolition of the property as required by code. He explained lack of code compliance has been an ongoing issue for years and a third party inspection service is a positive step in the process. He stated the owner has replied to the City that he has been working on the items, but the owner needs to pull permits. City Manager Caruthers stated the owner needs to show a sincere effort to work with the City. The public hearing is an opportunity for the owner and City, to provide information. He stated staff is requesting the Council set a public hearing on September 24, 2019, at City Hall, 6:30 p.m. City Attorney John Boyle commented on the importance of due process, being fair and providing the opportunity to be heard.

Councilmember Kitchens moved to order a public hearing to decide whether to order the repair, removal or demolition of property located at 450 E. Hurst Blvd, Hurst, Texas; Lot A3, Block 14, of the Holder Estates subdivision (Dakota Place Apartments), September 24, 2019, at City Hall, 6:30 p.m. Councilmember Booe seconded the motion. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Aye: Councilmembers McLendon, Kitchens, McKenzie, Thompson, and Shepard No: None

2. Conduct interviews for annual appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees.

Council conducted interviews for appointments to Boards, Commissions and Committees.

3. Discussion of Board, Commission and Committee appointments.

Council discussed Board, Commissionand Committee appointments.

<u>Informational Items</u> – Items of Community Interest and review of City Council calendar of meetings. There were no items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:16 p.m.

APPROVED this the 10th day of September 2019.

ATTEST:

Rita Frick, City Secretary

APPROVED:

Henry Wilson Mayo